Mountain Weather Forecast

Snowdonia National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 13 May 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 14 May 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 13 May 2023 at 01:22

Confidence: High for fine and settled conditions for much of the weekend. Lower for detail and extent of low cloud Saturday morning, for timings of front Sunday evening and for intensity of any showers next week.

Headline for Saturday 13 May 2023: A generally cloudy start, soon brightening from the west to give a day of prolonged spells of strong sunshine.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 13 May 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** High Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Sunny intervals	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
10%	<05%	10%	10%	<05%	<05%

Forecast for Saturday 13 May 2023

Weather: A dull and misty start, with extensive low cloud, mist and hill fog, particularly towards the east of the Park. Chance of some patchy drizzle under thicker cloud. Cloud will lift and clear by mid-morning to leave a dry day with lengthy spells of strong sunshine. There is an outside chance of the odd shower in the early afternoon, remaining dry otherwise. Staying clear during the evening, before cloud returns to some eastern slopes.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% in the east, 60% in the west. Soon increasing to above 80%.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud and hill fog to start, with bases 200-400m and perhaps to lower slopes in the east. Cloud will lift and rise to be above summits by mid-morning to leave largely clear skies. Chance of transient cloud cover across highest peaks. Visibilities will be poor or very poor under cloud in early mist and drizzle, improving to very good. Sharp but brief deteriorations to moderate or poor in any isolated showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	9/12 E	6/9 E	4/8 NE	6/10 NW	5/8 NW	5/6 S	6/8 S
600	5/7 E	5/7 NE	6/10 N	7/11 NW	5/7 NW	4/5 E	8/10 S
300	2/3 NE	5/8 N	6/9 N	6/10 NW	4/7 NW	3/4 E	5/8 S
Valley	2/3 NE	5/8 N	6/10 N	7/11 N	4/6 NW	4/5 S	5/9 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
900	9/6	8/7	10/9	12/11	11/10	10/9	8/7
600	10/9	10/10	12/11	13/12	12/12	12/11	10/8
300	10/10	12/11	15/14	16/15	14/14	13/12	11/10
Valley	10/10	13/12	15/14	15/14	14/14	12/12	12/10
Freezing Level*	2100m	1900m	1900m	1900m	2000m	1900m	1800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Widespread poor visibility in the early hours, especially on eastern and higher routes. Improving from mid-morning, but high UV levels are expected in the strong afternoon sunshine. The risk of showers is low but where they occur, they could bring poor visibilities and gusty winds.

Forecast for Sunday 14 May 2023

Weather: Patchy low cloud, mist and fog will soon clear to give a mostly dry and sunny day. Sunshine will turn increasing hazy through the afternoon as cloud thickens from the northwest. A few showers from mid-afternoon, with more widespread and persistent rain arriving by the evening and continuing overnight, turning heavy at times in the west.

Maximum wind: Southwest 12-20mph, becoming in the evening northwest 15-20mph gusting 25-30mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 30% in the east, 60% in the west. Soon improving to above 90%. Dropping to 20% through the evening from the west.

Low Cloud and visibility: Banks of low cloud and fog patches, mainly in the east, with bases around 300m. Bases soon lifting clear of summits. Deteriorating through the evening to around 400m in the west. Visibility will be poor or very poor under low cloud or in any early mist and fog. Quickly improving to very good. Poor in any showers and in rain later.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 10 Celsius rising to plus 13 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 8 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above summits.

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